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PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 03806.0543

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Marie ROSIER et al.) Group Art Unit: To be Assigned
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Application No.: To be Assigned) Examiner: To be Assigned
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For: NUCLEIC ACIDS OF THE HUMAN)
ABCC12 GENE, VECTORS)
CONTAINING SUCH NUCLEIC)
ACIDS AND USES THEREOF)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application
as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert the following paragraph prior to paragraph number 1.

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This application claims the benefit priority to United States Provisional
Application No. 60/272,759 filed on March 5, 2001.